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TO AMEMBASSY MANAGUA

INFO AMEMBASSY SAN SALVADOR

AMEMBASSY TEGUCIGALPA

AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE

AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA

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GUATEMALA ALSO FOR ROCAP

E.O.11652:N/A

TAGS: ETRD

SUBJECT:CA PRODUCT LIST FOR GSP

1. LUIS MEJIA OF GON MINECONOMY MET, IN TWO SESSIONS, WITH  
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DEPT. OFFICERS JUNE 26 TO DISCUSS BOTH (A) GSP, AND (B) GON

AIDE-MEMOIRE SUBMITTED TO AMBASSADOR EBERLE (REF. B).  
AT FIRST MEETING, MEJIA EXPLAINED THAT HIS PURPOSE WAS TO  
OBTAIN CLARIFICATION OF GSP TERMS AND CONCEPTS IN ORDER TO  
INFORM THREE-MAN TECHNICAL TEAM WHICH PREPARING NICARAGUAN  
LISTS UNDER HIS COORDINATION. ASKED WHEN NICARAGUAN LISTS  
WOULD BE READY, MEJIA SAID THEY WOULD WORK ON THEM "THROUGH  
JULY".

2. IN DISCUSSING GSP MEJIA HAD SUBMITTED A LIST OF QUES-  
TIONS FOR WHICH HE ASKED WRITTEN ANSWERS. DUE TO LACK OF  
TIME, WRITTEN ANSWERS NOT POSSIBLE BUT ALL QUESTIONS DIS-  
CUSSED AND REPLIES PROVIDED. WRITTEN RESPONSES WILL BE  
POUCHED CARE OF EMBASSY FOR MEJIA. TENOR OF QUESTIONS CON-  
CERNED BASES FOR INCLUSION OF PRODUCTS ON LISTS, GUAR-  
NTEES AGAINST ARBITRARY WITHDRAWAL OF CONCESSIONS, RULES  
OF ORIGIN AND RELATION TO MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS  
(MTN), ETC. DEPT. OFFICERS TOLD MEJIA THAT ALL ANSWERS  
TENTATIVE AND NO DEFINITIVE ANSWERS POSSIBLE UNTIL ENACTMENT  
LEGISLATION. MEJIA SAID HE UNDERSTOOD.

3. AT SECOND MEETING TO DISCUSS AIDE-MEMOIRE GIVEN TO  
MBASSADOR EBERLE, GENERAL OUTLINES OF PROPOSED REPLY DIS-  
CUSSED WITH MEJIA UNDERSTANDING THAT FORMAL REPLY NOT  
FULLY CLEARED THROUGH USG. ON SPECIFIC POINTS:

(A) TOBACCO: MEJIA EMPHASIZED SOCIAL/ECONOMIC  
PURPOSES SERVED BY INCREASING TOBACCO PRODUCTION  
FROM JALAPA REGION WHERE IT ONE OF FEW SOURCES OF  
INCOME. (ALTHOUGH THIS WILL NOT AFFECT TARIFF SITU-  
ATION, GIVEN MEJIA'S EMPHASIS ON GREAT IMPORTANCE  
OF TOBACCO TO ECONOMY OF THAT REGION, DEPT. WOULD  
APPRECIATE BRIEF DESCRIPTION AND ASSESSMENT TOBACLO  
PRODUCTION.) DEPT. EXPLAINED TO MEJIA SPECIAL CIR-  
CUMSTANCES IN UNIQUE PHILIPPINE CASE PLUS FACT THAT  
FEW REMAINING SPECIAL PREFERENCES TERMINATE AS OF  
JULY 4, 1974.

(B) PVC, FERTILIZERS AND AFTOSA: WE ASSURED MEJIA  
WE UNDERSTOOD CONCERNS EXPRESSED AND HAD AT THE  
MOMENT NO PLANS FOR EXPORT CONTROLS OF PVC OR  
FERTILIZERS. WE WARNED THAT RECENT FINDINGS PURPORT-  
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ING TO ESTABLISH CORRELATION BETWEEN PVC AND CERTAIN  
TYPES OF CANCER COULD RESULT IN DRASTIC CUT-BACKS  
OF PRODUCTION WHICH MIGHT AFFECT EXPORT AVAILA-  
BILITIES. ON AFTOSA, WE AGREE WITH GON CONCERNS.

(C) TEXTILES: MEJIA WAS PLEASED THAT JURICH VISIT  
WILL TAKE PLACE SOON TO DISCUSS TEXTILES WITH CA  
COUNTRIES AND HOPED THAT BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS

COULD BEGIN SOON THEREAFTER.

(D) HOG CHOLERA: MEJIA EMPHASIZED THAT NICARAGUA IS FREE OF HOG CHOLERA NOTING DR. WINEGAR'S RECENT SURVEY. HE QUESTIONED INCLUSION OF NICARAGUA ON LIST OF COUNTRIES WITH HOG CHOLERA AS RESULT OF INCLUDING ENTIRE REGION BUT NOT BECAUSE OF ANY FINDINGS OF THE DISEASE IN NICARAGUA. DEPT. PROMISED TO LOOK INTO THIS FURTHER BEFORE REPLYING TO AIDE-MEMOIRE.

(E) EXPORT OF LIVE CATTLE: MEJIA PLEASED TO LEARN THAT NO RESTRICTIONS EXIST OTHER THAN REGULATIONS FOR CONTROL OF TICKS WHICH PROVIDE FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF QUARANTINE ZONES.

(F) QUARANTINE STATION AND MEDFLY: DEPT. EXPLAINED TO MEJIA THAT NO APPARENT PROBLEM WOULD EXIST IN PROVIDING INSPECTORS FOR QUARANTINE STATION. HOWEVER, BEFORE THIS WOULD BE PRACTIBLE THERE SHOULD BE A

PROGRAM FOR MEDFLY CONTROL. THIS ISSUE--USG INVOLVEMENT IN A MEDFLY CONTROL PROGRAM--STILL UNDER REVIEW IN U.S. GOVERNMENT.

4. MEJIA EXPRESSED HIS VIEW THAT INFORMAL REPLY WAS BY AND LARGE SATISFACTORY. DEPT. HOPES TO FORWARD AIDE-MEMOIRE TO YOU FOR DELIVERY TO GON SOONEST. SISCO

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